

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF FISHERIES

FISHERIES
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STATISTICS OF FISHING INDUSTRY OF ALASKA, SEASON OF 1916

The company or individual receiving this blank is requested to supply the data called for herein and mail the statement to the Bureau of Fisheries, Washington, D. C. (in the franked envelope provided for the purpose), as soon as possible after the close of the fishing season. The law requires that reports of this character be forwarded not later than December 15, and that they "shall be sworn to by the superintendent, manager, or other person having knowledge of the facts, a separate blank form being used for each establishment in cases where more than one cannery, saltery, or other establishment is conducted by a person, company, or corporation." Attention is called to the fact that a heavy penalty is provided for failure to comply with the provisions of the law.

H. M. SMITH,
U. S. Commissioner of Fisheries.

Name of company or individual... Pacific American Fisheries
Location of plant or fishery... Excursion Inlet Alaska Location of home office... South Bellingham Washington
Value of plant, including land, buildings, and shore equipment, \$ 150,000.00 Operating or cash capital, \$ 200,000.00

NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED AND AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID.

Designation.	Whites.	Natives.	Chinese.	Japanese.	Filipinos.	Koreans.	Mexicans.	Porto Ricans.	Kanakas.	Negroes.	Others (indicate).	Total wages paid.
Fishermen	43											# 19833.77
Shoresmen ^a	27	36	60	42	3	1	2					\$ 50018.50
Transporters ^b	24											\$ 8604.69
Total	94	36	60	42	3	1	2					# 78456.96

^a Includes office force in Alaska.

^b Includes crews of vessels carrying supplies who are not elsewhere shown as fishermen or shoresmen.

VESSELS AND BOATS.

Registered vessels. ^c				Unregistered vessels, boats, and other craft.		
Rig.	Name.	Net tonnage.	Value, exclusive of apparatus of capture.	Designation.	No.	Value.
Steam	Patricia Bow	60	20,000.00	Launches and power boats		
Steam	Joshua	23	15,000.00	Seine boats		
Sas	Red Boy	10	5,000.00	Gill-net boats	1	100.00
Sas	Donald	9	3,800.00	Other row boats and skiffs	22	681.64
		102	43,800.00	Lighters and scows	20	9285.22
				Houseboats	2	1100.00
				Pile drivers	2	12540.14

^c Whether owned or chartered.

FISHING APPARATUS.

Kind.	No.	Length.	Value.	Kind.	No.	Value.
Seines		(a)		Traps, staked	17	51,000.00
Gill nets		(a)		Traps, floating		
Hand lines				Guns and rifles		
Trawl lines		(b)		Other		

^a Give aggregate length in fathoms.

^b Give aggregate number of hooks.

LOSSES DURING YEAR.

Loss of life.					Loss of property.	
Designation.	Drowning.	Other accidents.	Disease.	Total.	Items.	Kind and value.
Fishermen					Buildings	
Shoresmen					Vessels and boats	1 Alaska
Transporters					Fishing gear	
Total	6			6	Canned or other product	

SALMON AND TROUT PRODUCTS.

How prepared.	King or spring.	Red or sockeye.	Coho or silver.	Pink or humpback.	Dog or chum.	Dolly Varden or salmon trout.	Steelhead.	Total.
CANNED:								
Cases, 1-lb. cans.....	Number.....	4881	5033					9914
	Value.....	21964.50	12582.50					34547.00
Cases, 1-lb. flat cans.....	Number.....	7863	2000					9863
	Value.....	51109.50	8000.00					59109.50
Cases, 1-lb. tall cans.....	Number.....	91	119	6399	33812	11300		51721
	Value.....	364.00	914.00	28795.50	118342.00	33900.00		182115.50
MILD CURED:								
Tierces (800 lbs. each).....	Number.....							
	Value.....							
PICKLED:								
Barrels (200 lbs. each).....	Number.....							
	Value.....							
Bellies.....	Pounds.....							
	Value.....							
Backs.....	Pounds.....							
	Value.....							
DRY SALTED:								
	Number of fish.....							
	Pounds.....							
	Value.....							
FROZEN:								
	Number of fish.....							
	Pounds.....							
	Value.....							
SHIPPED FRESH:								
	Number of fish.....							
	Pounds.....							
	Value.....							

HALIBUT, COD, HERRING, AND MINOR SALMON PRODUCTS.

How prepared.	Pounds.	Value.	How prepared.	Pounds.	Value.
HALIBUT:			HERRING:		
Fresh (shipped).....			Dry salted..... For food.....		
Fresh (sold locally).....			Fresh..... For food.....		
Frozen.....			For bait.....		
Fletcher.....			Frozen..... For food.....		
Dry salted.....			For bait.....		
Smoked.....			Pickled..... For food.....		
Canned.....			For bait.....		
Cod:			Fertilizer..... tons.....		
Vessel catch—			Oil..... galls.....		
Dry salted.....			SALMON:		
Pickled.....			Caviar.....		
Stockfish.....			Beleke.....		
Tongues.....			Ukalu.....		
Cod-liver oil..... galls.....			Kippered.....		
Shore station catch—			Dried.....		
Dry salted.....			Fish pudding.....		
Pickled.....			Fertilizer..... tons.....		
Stockfish.....			Oil..... galls.....		
Tongues.....			Meal—214 tons 428000 5,350 Est. 25 tons 825		
Cod-liver oil..... galls.....			(See letter March 28, 1917)		

WHALING OPERATIONS.

Catch.				Products.		
Species.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Items.	Quantity.	Value.
Bowhead.....				Oil, body.....	galls.....	
California gray.....				Oil, sperm.....	galls.....	
Finback.....				Fertilizer, meat.....	tons.....	
Humpback.....				Fertilizer, bone.....	pounds.....	
Sulphur-bottom.....				Whalebone.....	pounds.....	
Sperm.....				Meat, pickled.....	pounds.....	
Others.....				Stearin.....	galls.....	
Total.....						

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS.

Items.	Quantity.	Value.	Items.	Quantity.	Value.
	Pounds.				
Black cod.....			Tomcod.....		
Fresh.....			Fresh.....	pounds.....	
Frozen.....			Frozen.....	pounds.....	
Pickled.....			Pickled.....	pounds.....	
Smoked.....			Other fish.....		
Eulachon.....			Fresh.....	pounds.....	
Fresh.....			Frozen.....	pounds.....	
Pickled.....			Pickled.....	pounds.....	
Smoked.....			Dogfish.....		
Rock cod or bass.....			Oil.....	galls.....	
Fresh.....			Fertilizer.....	tons.....	
Frozen.....			Clams.....	(Specify unit).....	
Pickled.....			Crabs.....	do.....	
Smelt.....			Mussels.....	do.....	
Fresh.....			Oysters.....	do.....	
Frozen.....			Seaweed.....	do.....	
Pickled.....			Ivory (walrus).....	do.....	
Pollock.....			Hides.....		
Fresh.....			Hair seal.....	number.....	
Frozen.....			Sea lion.....	number.....	
Pickled.....			Walrus.....	number.....	
Flatfish.....					
Fresh.....					
Frozen.....					
Pickled.....					

DETAILED REPORT OF SALMON FISHING OPERATIONS, BY LOCALITIES AND APPARATUS.

It is desired that this information be prepared with accuracy and detail, so far as the packers' records can by reasonable effort be made to furnish it. Different streams in the same bay or sound should be separately reported so far as the catch can properly be credited to each. Catches not certainly referable to particular streams may be reported under the head of the bay, sound, or region.

Species of salmon and names of streams or localities fished.	Number of salmon taken with each kind of apparatus.					Fishing season—	
	Seines.	Gill nets.	Traps.	Lines.	Other appliances.	Began.	Ended.
King or spring salmon:							
Bay of Strait			228			June 4	June 29
Total.....							
Red or sockeye salmon:							
Bay of Strait			112649			June 4	Sept. 17
Total.....							
Coho or silver salmon:							
Bay of Strait			43800			June 4	Sept. 20
Total.....							

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March 19, 1917.

Pacific American Fisheries,
South Bellingham,
Washington.

Gentlemen:

It is understood that last season your company installed machinery at Excursion Inlet for the manufacture of oil and fertilizer from the cannery refuse. One of the Bureau's agents reported that difficulty was experienced with the drier but that subsequently the plant was put in satisfactory condition. It is noted from the October (1916) number of the Pacific Fisherman that the moisture was merely extracted and the product shipped to your establishment at Eliza Island for final treatment. No mention was made of this in your report of operations for the plant at Excursion Inlet. Please submit promptly a statement regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

Acting Commissioner.

DETAILED REPORT OF SALMON FISHING OPERATIONS, BY LOCALITIES AND APPARATUS—Continued.

Species of salmon and names of streams or localities fished.	Number of salmon taken with each kind of apparatus.					Fishing season—	
	Seines.	Gill nets.	Traps.	Lines.	Other appliances.	Began.	Ended.
Pink or humpback salmon: Bay Straits			682077			June 18	Sept 1
Total							
Dog or chum salmon: Bay Straits			77882			June 4	Sept 2
Total							

ADDITIONAL OR EXPLANATORY INFORMATION.

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say that the foregoing information is correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

State of Washington
County of Whatcom

Owner, Superintendent, Manager
(ERASE INAPPLICABLE WORDS.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 93 day of November, 1916

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Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Bellingham.